

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

filed May 30, 2000, entitled “METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECTLY SAMPLING A FLUID FOR MICROFILTRATION”, which [This application] claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/136,668, filed May 28, 1999. The entire disclosures of U.S. Application No. 60/136,668 and U.S. Application No. 09/580,987 as filed are incorporated herein by reference.--.

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